

SENATE No. 532

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Nine

An Act to establish a primary care development fund..

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 “Notwithstanding any general or special law or regulation to the contrary, one hundred
2 percent of the surplus, if any, contained in the health safety net fund established pursuant to
3 Chapter 116G, Section 36, shall be transferred annually into a primary care development fund to
4 be administered by the health care workforce center established pursuant to chapter 305 of the
5 acts of 2008. Funds also may be transferred into said fund during the fiscal year and on a rolling
6 basis to the extent there is an existing surplus during such time. In addition, any federal financial
7 participation received on account of the essential community provider trust fund also shall be
8 transferred to the primary care development fund. The center shall develop grant award criteria
9 for the purpose of funding community hospital primary care physician recruitment and retention
10 activities.